

**REMARKS / ARGUMENTS**

Claims 13-20 remain pending in this application. Claims 16-18 have been amended. No new matter has been introduced and no new issue has been raised. The amendments merely correct minor informalities and clarify the claims as suggested by the Examiner in the Final Office Action.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the proposed amendments because they remove issues for appeal and require only a cursory review by the examiner. The total effect of the proposed amendments is to comply with the requirement of form expressly set forth in the Final Office action and present rejected claims in better form for consideration on appeal.

Applicants believe claims 16-18 as amended overcome the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112. It is clear that the package is not a positive element of the device. Furthermore, as seen in FIGS. 1 and 2, each reagent container (40) has two openings: a first opening for the first reagent and a second opening for the second reagent. Upon being placed inside a reagent container, the package having both the first reagent and the second reagent will allow access to the first reagent through the first opening and the second reagent through the second opening of the reagent container. Implementation of this feature can be done by a person of ordinary skill in the art without undue experimentation.

**Conclusion**

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully request entry of this  
Amendment After Final.

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